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**Amendments to the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 3 and 11-15. Please amend claims 1, 6, 16, and 18. All pending and withdrawn claims are listed below. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) A method of playing a wagering game comprising:  
accepting a first wager dependent upon conventional rules of the wagering game;  
accepting a second wager;  
conducting said wagering game, said wagering game being conducted at a wagering game table wherein playing cards, dice and/or a roulette wheel are utilized;  
resolving the first wager according to the conventional rules of the wagering game; and  
if an outcome of said wagering game is in a group of one or more pre-established outcomes, resolving said second wager by a dealer or player using an electrically linked button to activate ~~activating~~ a ball dispenser containing a plurality of balls, said ball dispenser ~~in proximity to~~ incorporated on the wagering game table wherein said ball dispenser facilitates a selection of one or more random balls from within the dispenser, said one or more randomly selected balls determining a reward associated with said second wager.
2. (previously amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the wagering game is blackjack and one of the pre-established outcomes is a player being dealt blackjack.
3. (cancelled)
4. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein numerals depicted on said one or more selected balls act as a multiplier of the second wager such that the amount of the reward associated with the second wager is determined by multiplying the second

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wager by the numerals depicted on said one or more selected balls.

5. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein numerals depicted on the one or more selected balls equal an amount of the reward associated with the second wager.

6. (currently amended) A wagering game comprising:

a gaming table having a layout including a first wager area and a second wager area, said first wager area corresponding to a first wager based on conventional rules of the wagering game, said second wager area corresponding to a second wager based on one or more pre-established wagering game outcomes; [[and]]

a ball dispenser, holding a plurality of balls, ~~in proximity to~~ incorporated on the gaming table wherein said ball dispenser facilitates a selection of one or more random balls from within the dispenser, said one or more selected random balls determining a reward associated with said second wager[[.]]; and

activation means for a dealer or player to activate the ball dispenser.

7. (previously amended) The game of claim 6 wherein the wagering game is blackjack and one of the pre-established wagering game outcomes is a player being dealt blackjack.

8. (previously amended) The game of claim 6 wherein the wagering game is blackjack and one of the pre-established wagering game comes is a dealer being dealt blackjack.

9. (original) The game of claim 6 wherein numerals depicted on said one or more selected balls act as a multiplier of the second wager such that the amount of the reward associated with the second wager is determined by multiplying the second wager by the numerals depicted on said one or more selected balls.

10. (original) The game of claim 6 wherein numerals depicted on said one or more selected balls equal an amount of the reward associated with the second wager.

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11 – 15 (cancelled)

16. (currently amended) A method of playing a game of blackjack comprising:  
accepting a blackjack wager;  
accepting a second wager based on a player being dealt blackjack;  
conducting said game of blackjack;  
resolving the blackjack wager according to conventional rules of blackjack;  
and if the player is dealt blackjack, resolving said second wager by permitting a dealer or player to use a button to activate a ball dispenser containing a plurality of balls, said ball dispenser in proximity to incorporated on a blackjack table wherein said ball dispenser facilitates a selection of one or more random balls from within said ball dispenser, said one or more selected random balls determining a reward an award associated with said second wager.

17. (original) The method of claim 16 wherein the second wager is based on a dealer being dealt blackjack.

18. (currently amended) A combination for facilitating play of a wagering game comprising:  
a wagering game table; and  
a ball dispenser incorporated thereon containing a plurality of balls wherein said ball dispenser facilitates a random selection of one more of the plurality of balls from within the dispenser, said selection in response to one or more pre-established wagering game outcomes, said selection facilitated by a dealer or player pressing a button electrically linked to the ball dispenser.

19. (previously amended) The combination of claim 18 wherein the random selection of one or more of the plurality of balls is in response to one or more pre-established wagering game outcomes.

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20. (original) The combination of claim 18 wherein the wagering game table facilitates play of blackjack.

21. (original) The combination of claim 20 wherein the random selection of one or more of the plurality of balls is in response to a player being dealt blackjack.

22. (original) The combination of claim 20 wherein the random selection of one or more of the plurality of balls is in response to a dealer being dealt blackjack.

23. (original) The combination of claim 18 wherein the random selection of one or more of the plurality of balls determines a wagering game reward.